

SENATE BILL No. 205

AN ACT enacting the Kansas commemorative coin design concept act.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas commemorative coin design concept act. The purpose of the act is to provide a means whereby the state through cooperation of its governor, arts community and high school students selects the design concepts and recommend the final design of the quarter dollar that is emblematic of the state of Kansas, its history, geography and rich heritage for submission to the United States secretary of the treasury in accordance with the 50 states commemorative coin program act (P.L. 105-124).

Sec. 2. (a) There is established the Kansas commemorative coin design commission. The commission shall consist of 16 members, as follows:

(1) The members of the joint legislative committee on the arts and cultural resources;

(2) a member of the Kansas state historical society, selected by the members of the society;

(3) a member of the Kansas arts commission, selected by the members of the commission;

(4) a member of the Kansas humanities council, selected by the members of the council; and

(5) three members of the general public who shall be representative of the arts, selected by the governor. One of the members selected pursuant to this paragraph shall be knowledgeable of coin design or metal work.

(b) The chairperson of the joint legislative committee on the arts and cultural resources shall serve as chairperson of the commission. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson or at the request of a majority of the members of the commission.

(c) The commission shall:

(1) Adopt procedures and guidelines for selection of the design concepts of the quarter dollar that is emblematic of the state of Kansas; such guidelines shall be consistent with the guidelines prescribed by the 50 states commemorative coin program act and shall be publicized by the commission;

(2) invite Kansans to submit design sketches for the Kansas commemorative quarter dollar that are broadly appealing to the citizens of the state and that maintain a dignity befitting the state's history and diversity. Each design sketch shall be accompanied by a narrative that explains why the concept is emblematic of the state and what the concept represents to the citizens of the state. The submission deadline shall be determined by the commission;

(3) review the design sketches and narratives submitted by Kansans and select five submissions as finalists in the design selection process;

(4) forward only the selected narratives to the United States mint and collaborate with the United States mint in the preparation of artwork of the concepts;

(5) upon approval by the secretary of the treasury, the design candidate finalists shall be forwarded to the commission, which shall collaborate with the state board of education and the secretary of state in submission of the five finalist designs to an election in which all students enrolled in public and accredited nonpublic high schools of the state may participate and by majority vote select the design for the Kansas commemorative quarter dollar that the commission shall submit to the governor; the election shall be held no later than during the last week of April 2004. Such election may be conducted by internet ballot.

Sec. 3. The governor shall submit the design selected by vote of Kansas high school students to the United States mint for presentment to the secretary of treasury for final approval.

Sec. 4. The Kansas arts commission, the Kansas humanities council, and the Kansas historical society shall publicize the Kansas commemorative coin design act and shall provide such assistance to the Kansas commemorative coin design commission as may be requested by the commission.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

SENATE concurred in
HOUSE amendments _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the HOUSE
as amended _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

APPROVED _____

Governor.